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June 11, 2003

The Honorable Michael K. Powell  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing about the application before your Commission seeking consent to a merger between Univision Communications Inc. ("Univision") and Hispanic Broadcasting Corporation ("HBC"). The proposed merger will expand service to the Hispanic community and enable Spanish-formatted broadcasting to better compete with larger, established media conglomerates. Univision has been a major influence in making Spanish-language media competitive with its much larger English-language competitors, while also introducing many mainstream advertisers to the Hispanic populace for the first time.

The combination of Univision's and HBC's resources would enhance and expand the media services available to the Hispanic community. The result will be increased competitiveness, new capital investment, and greater management and ownership opportunities for those wishing to serve the Hispanic community. The recent merger between NBC and Telemundo provides an excellent example of enhancing news resources and coverage by combining the strengths of two companies.

The Department of Justice has already reviewed the proposed merger and I urge the FCC to complete its review expeditiously.

Sincerely,

Cliff Stearns  
United States Representative

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